M'CLELLAN'S FIRST MESSAGE.

PROPOSES TO STOP POLICE BLACK-MAIL, HE SAYS.

Recognizes That the Criticism of the Department Has Had a Basis-Taxpayers Ought to Know Where Their Money Goes-Must Have More Schools.

Mayor McClellan sent his first message to the Alderman yesterday. Dealing first ith the city's finances, he says that the oss funded debt of the city was \$485,063,094. increase of \$35,306."47 in 1902 and 1903. In the same period the revenue bond debt increased \$31,836,000, making a total increase of \$67,142,747. Continuing the Mayor says: I intend at this time to do no more than

I intend at this time to do no more than to generalize on certain municipal matters, because I purpose later to submit to you a detailed statement of the condition and the needs of the several departments of the city government. I am to-day only complying with the time honored custom of addressing you, and through you, the public, at your first legislative session.

For many years the popular interest seems to have been concentrated upon the problems of public health, public education, street cleaning and the police. Every public spirited official should be glad that such has been and is the fact.

But I believe that the public mind has been so absorbed with these evident, as well as vital questions, as to ignore the equally vital, if not as apparent, problem of municipal finance.

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As the incidence of taxation for the support of the municipal government is shifted to the people as a whole, the questions of the city debt, the cost of government and of the system of taxation under which we live are of great concern and should be of the very first interest to every citizen.

A wider knowledge of our financial system can bring nothing but good to the city. A greater interest on the part of the taxpayers—and the entire population pays the taxes—in how the revenues are raised and expended, must necessarily result in an increased share of responsibility on the part of the administration, and a more direct feeling of accountability by the public officials to those who have given the trust to them.

WANTS A FIXED FISCAL POLICY.

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that I may thereby convince the public of its importance.

In initiating public improvements, the needs of the present shall be considered before the needs of the future.

In gauging the financial capacity of the city when embarking upon new enterprises, material necessities should first be met.

New York must be made healthy and clean and safe before it is made beautiful.

I consider that I am exceptionally fortunate in having as my principal colleagues in the administration Mr. Grout and Mr. Fornes. Their familiarity with the finances of the city warrants the expectation that a policy of just conservatism will improve existing conditions.

MUST HAVE MORE SCHOOLS.

The administration is confronted with a most difficult problem because of the inadequacy of the present school accommodations. The solution of this problem cannot wait on our convenience.

I intend to give my immediate attention to the matter, with the idea of adopting the speediest method of relief. The demands of modern life are so exacting that our children of school age must not be deprived of a moment which should be devoted to the education which is to fit them for their places in the world. After a conference with the department officials, and an examination of the question, I shall lay the matter before you in detail.

The problem that arises in the handling of

Provision for an additional water supply is a subject demanding prompt attention. Waste of water should be prevented; but there must be no restriction upon its use for all proper and necessary purposes. The health of the city and the comfort of our people depend upon an ample supply of pure water, and safety from fire demands that water shall be always ready for an emergency, in abundant quantity and under sufficient pressure. There should be no unnecessary delay in providing for such a supply adequate in all respects to the future needs of the city.

pedice Blackmail Must stop.

An extensive observation of the moral conditions of the great cities of Europe and America has convinced me that this city is better than any of them. Nevertheless, we cannot boast if its moral state falls below the standard which should be set for the metropolis of our country.

We cannot complacently assume that we shall not suffer deterioration unless we strive earnestly to maintain a high standard. A cosmopolitan city like New York cannot be conducted on the same plan as a provincial town. Every attempt to so conduct it will fail and will result in a disrespect of law.

Some evils can be eradicated and some cannot. Some evils, unhappily, are incident to human nature itself. But they should not be allowed to parade before the public, and no partnership should be permitted between those charged with the suppression of vice and those who live by lawbreaking. In the endeavor to accomplish anything in this direction, spasmodic effort can avail but little. Only constant vigilance can produce astisfactory results. The methods employed should not be sensational, or for the purpose first of winning applause, but earnest and, sincere, so as to be thorough and permanent in their effect.

I am convinced that it is no unreasonably critical spirit which has for vears been charging that officials high in the Police Department have connived at the maintenance of certain public evils for their personal gain. A vigor-ous and persistent effort will be made to sever

public evils for their personal gain. A vigor-ous and persistent effort will be made to sever any such relation between lawbreakers and those sworn to enforce the law. I appeal to all our citizens, and especially to those who supported my candidacy, to aid in purging the department of such men and practices.

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It would be useless for me to appoint to the command of this department a mero disciplinarian or a doctrinairo. I have intrusted the office to a man of such character as to inspire the respect of his subordinates and the confidence of the public and of such discernment as to make it unlikely that he will be the victim of imposition or deceit.

In this, as in any other department, everything desired cannot be accomplished at once. Intelligent effort directed to one evil at a time must before long result in a general improvement. I ask for the Police Commissioner the patience and the assistance of the public.

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POLICE NEED MORE LEISURE.

The vasi majority of the members of the police force are worthy of our confidence. Their lives are not easy, whether considered morally or physically. Contact with crime does not tend to individual improvement. I believe, that so far as possible, consideration should be shown to them, so that like all other government employees, they may have a reasonable amount of leisure from their very exacting duties.

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The best results cannot be obtained, either in public or private business, except by the hearty cooperation of every employee.

I admonish the heads of all the departments of the city government, while maintaining strict discipline, not to be so needlessly harsh or exacting as to cause discontent among their subordinates.

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I shall expect and require from all the departments complete unity of purpose for the good of the city.

I have confidence in the integrity and ability of every one of my appointees, and I assure them of my earnest support. The miblic expects from each of them the faithful performance of his trust, and I shall exercise all the power conferred upon me in the Charter to insure the efficiency and the honesty of the administration of every department.

I pledge to you, the Honorable Board of Aldermen, ny cooperation in your every lawful endeavor, and I ask from you the same consideration for myself.

ALDERMEN SIT AMID FLOWERS.

-Want Democratic Convention. The new Aldermen met yesterday in a be, wer of flowers sent to them as if they were all girls newly betrothed. There are y-seven Democrats and twenty-two

Republicans and fusionists in the new board. The only absentee was Borough President Haffen. P. J. Scully was unanimously reelected City Clerk. Thomas Murphy,

reelected City Clerk. Thomas Murphy, Tammany leader of the Twent eth district, is to be Deputy City Clerk. For vice-chairman John'T. McCall nominated Little Tim Sullivan, while the Republicans named Elias Goodman. Sullivan had 52 votes against 21, and his election was made unanimous. The bunch of sergeants-at-arms already selected was appointed.

President Fornes, in an address to the board, said that transportation facilities must be enlarged by the extension of the underground transit system by additional means of interborough communication in the matter of tunnels and bridges and an expeditious and sufficient ferry service; also that if legislation is needed to prevent a repetition of the Chicago theatre fire in this city, it should be promptly and effectively ordained. He gave the minority notice that the majority proposed to take the rethat the majority proposed to take the re-sponsibility for the acts of the board. It was resolved unanimously that the Mayor should be urged to use every effort in his power to secure the Democratic national convention for this city. A resolution of sympathy with those bereaved by the Chicago fire was adopted.

FITZGERALD ALLOWED TO SIT. Justices of Special Sessions in Favor of McClellan's Appointee.

Justice Thomas W. Fitzgerald, who on Friday was appointed by Mayor McClellan to succeed himself as a Justice of the Court of Special Sessions, was recoginzed as such by the Board of Justices of the Court of Special Sessions at a meeting held in Brooklyn yesterday morning. Two of the board voted for Appleton L. Clarke, who was appointed by Mayor Low. When the Justices met Justice Fitzgerald presented his certificate of appointment and claimed recognition as a Justice. Mr. Clarke then filed this protest:

"I hereby notify you that I have been duly appointed by the Mayor of the City of New York to fill the vacancy in the office of Justice of the Court of Special Sessions, second division; that I have duly qualified to enter upon the duties of said office, and that I am ready to fill such assignment as may be made. I further protest against the interference upon your part with my exercise of such office on the ground that Thomas W. Fitzgerald is not entitled to the office to which I have been appointed, or the recognition of said Fitzgerald as holding

such office."

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Justice Fitzgerald in his own behalf said that under the Constitution of the State of New York, the term of the Mayor ended at midnight on Dec. 31, after which hour the retiring Mayor had no power.

John S. Davenport, counsel for Mr. Clarke, contended that the law expressly provided that the new Mayor should take office at 12 o'clock, noon, on the first day of January, and that the outgoing Mayor, therefore.

Kane, who didn't want it and who asked that Noonan be named.

At yesterday's meeting of the Bcard of Health these appointments were made:

Dr. Patrick J. Murray, to be assistant sanitary superintendent in Brooklyn, vice Dr. Joseph H. Raymond, resigned.

Dr. Gerald Sheil, to be assistant sanitary superintendent in The Bronx, vice Dr. Edward F. Hurd, resigned.

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The salary of each is \$3,500.

Corporation Counsel Delany yesterday named. Herman Stiefel to take charge of the bureau of penalties at a salary of \$5,000 a year. Mr. Stiefel is a Tammany man and has been an Assistant Corporation Counsel in every administration since 1882 except Mayor Strong's.

Bridge Commissioner Best has appointed Francis E. V. Dunn as his private secretary. The salary is \$2,550. He was an Assistant Corporation Counsel from 1893 to 1895 and law clerk in the Sheriff's office from 1898 to 1902.

KICKED, BUT GOT OUT. Eastmond on His Right to Retain His Old Job of Water Registrar.

from 1898 to 1902.

J. E. Eastmond, Water Registrar in Brooklyn under the fusion administration, put up a kick yesterday when William R. McGuire, who was appointed on Saturday as his successor, called to take control of the office. Eastmond contended that his right to retain the office was based on Section 1543 of the charter, which provides that no head of a bureau shall be removed exno head of a bureau snall be removed except on charges preferred or proven. Sanders Shanks, McGuire's lawyer, said: "We don't care about your protest. Mr. McGuire is the legally appointed Water Registrar and we demand immediate possession of this office." Eastmond finally surrendered under protest, leaving some private papers in the Registrar's desk. dered under protest, leaving private papers in the Registrar's desk.

NEWARK'S NEW GOVERNMENT. Mayor Doremus's Nominees Confirmed by

the Common Council. NEWARE, N. J., Jan. 4 .- At the reorganization of the Newark Common Council to-night, Mayor Doremus nominated and the Aldermen confirmed the appointments of John B. Oelkers for Fire Commissioner, Frederick Castle for Police Commissioner and former Assemblyman John Howe for Tax Commissioner. As Health Commis-sioners, Dr. William S. Disbrow, Dr. John H. Dobbins and H. C. Ross were nominated

and appointed.

In his message, the Mayor suggested the enactment of a State law under which cities of the first class could appropriate \$5,000 annually for an excursion for poor children.

An ivory gavel was presented yesterday by Louis F. Doyle on behalf of the bar to Supreme Court Justice Henry Bischoff, who is beginning a second term on the

The trains of the ERIE RAILROAD en route to Buffalo, Cleveland, Cincinnail and Chicago are always protected by block safety signals.—Adv

SHIP MEN CHEER FOR HANNA.

PRAISE FOR HIM AT MARITIME EXCHANGE DINNER.

Celebration of the Association's New Home Almost a Boom for the Ohio Senator -Congressman Douglas Urges the Need of Some Subsidy Measure.

The banquet with which the Maritime

Exchange celebrated last night the fact that it had moved into its new home, 78-80 Broad street, was filled to overflowing with patriotism, the upbuilding of the American mercantile marine and the greatness of that stalwart citizen, Senator Hanna. As a matter of fact, the speechmaking which followed the banquet took on something of the complexion of a Hanna boom, and incidentally it may be said that the way the orators got all around President Roosevelt without mentioning his name, even in connection with Panama affairs, was noted by those present as an omission that was conspicuous almost to the extent

that was conspicuous almost to the extent of being pointed.

Capt. C. B. Parsons, president of the exchange, presided. At his left sat L. V. F. Randolph, president of the Consolidated Stock and Petroleum Exchange, and at his right Congressman William H. Douglas. Others in the rostrum were Oscar S. Straus, president of the Board of Trade and Transportation; R. H. Thomas, president of the Stock Exchange; J. S. W. Holden, president of the Philadelphia Maritime Exchange; A. A. Raven, president of the Atlantic Mutual Insurance Company; Charles H. Cramp of the Cramp Shipbuilding Company, George Uhler, Supervising Inspector-General of Steam Vessels; Willis L. Moore, Chief of the Weather Bureau, and O. H. Tittman, Superintendent of the Coast and Geodetic Survey.

President Parsons, after congratulating the Exchange on its having come into the ranks of proprietors, introduced as the first speaker of the evening Mr. Randolph, who was down to speak to the toast Our Flag," and who, among other things, said:

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It is Capt. Parsons's fault and mine that I am here to speak to you to-night. I could not resist Capt. Parsons. When I found out that he was a brother Mason, that he was a brother Grand Army man, that he was a brother Baptist, that he was a brother Jerseyman, my heart went out to him, as though he were my Siamese twin.

I think it was because he is a brother Baptist that I was most drawn to him. It reminded me of one time when I was down in Texas travelling on a train and seated in front of me was good old Uncle Stevens, who told me about a Texan whom he had met and talked with.

"And so you are a Baptist," said the Texan. "Well, I have got a boy and I said to him: "Son, I want you to grow up to be a good Baptist, and if you do that you will go to heaven in spite of hell."

But it is about the flag that I am to speak. When I take soundings of my ability to rise to that vast subject I find that I am in shoal water.

Jo you need to be exhorted to stand by the flag? Let me tell you one way in which you should do it. Exert every ounce of influence you can to build up a strong American mrine.

From this Maritime Association of the Port who was down to speak to the toast "Our

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William T. Noonan to be Deputy Commissioner for Brooklyn.

John A. Fitzgerald, secretary of the department, to succeed C. C. McKinney.

John J. Murtha, warden of the Tombs, to succeed John E. Vandecarr, who resigned yesterday.

Michael J. Healon, private secretary.

Noonan is one of the lieutenants of James Kane, leader of the Third Assembly district in Brooklyn. The place was offered to Kane, who didn't want it and who asked that Noonan be named.

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gress and What it Should Do for Our Merchant Marine." Mr. Douglas said:

As we all know (and I say it with sincere regret and humiliation) we no longer occupy the proud position we once did in the deep sea traffic with our magnificent fleet of clipper ships, which gave us in that time the distinction of being one of the great carrying nations of the world commercially. We have sunk to the lowest rung on the ladder, but we need not despair, and I believe we will soon again build up this industry. When times are at the darkest, the light is often the nearest, and I believe the clouds will soon roll by.

I have every faith that this stain on our national escutcheon, this merace to our commercial advancement and material prosperity, this danger to our nation's greatness and source of weakness in case of war, this cause of irritation and loss of pride to every man who loves his country individually and to the entire people collectively, this almost unexplainable position by reason of our unparalleled success, will also be swept aside shortly by the irresistible tide of our nation!

J believe that this board room within a few years will echo daily to the tread of representatives of rich firms and large companies, who will own a splendid fleet of large windjammers and hundreds of steamers of the newest and most improved and up-to-date types. These vessels will be seeking charters, or trading in their usual established roads, to every clime and all civilized ports in the world, and, what is best of all, these vessels will five at the sternpost our national flag, the emblem of freedom, the banner we love, the grand Stars and Stars or the mileage.

Of the various measures proposed Mr. Douglas was inclined to favor the mileage allowance, sometimes called bounty or subsidy to American built ships used by our citizens for deep sea trade, also the control of the co stablishment of mail routes for fast steam-

ship lines.

Oscar S. Straus spoke on "Diplomacy and Our Foreign Commerce," President Thomas, president of the Stock Exchange, on "Our Sister Exchanges," Charles H. Cram, on "American Shipbuilding" and Gen. Uhler on "Steam Vessel Interests of the United States."

Fire at Mrs. D. H. Knowlton's.

The house of Mrs. Danford Henry Knowlton at 102 East Thirty-eighth street was badly damaged by fire last evening. The parlor floor, containing much valuable furniture, was con pletely burned out and the basement suffered some damage. The damage was estimated at \$2,000.

Congressmen Congratulate McClellan Mayor McClellan received yesterday from Washington this telegram signed by twenty-one Democratic Congressmen, each from a State other than New York:

"Regretting the loss to the House of Representatives and country that your resignation brings, we congratulate you as Mayor of the greatest city in the country."

Sheriff Erlanger proposes to preside personally over all trials by Sheriff's juries, except in lunacy proceedings. He is a

TF a gin cocktail tastes of gin-it's not a cock-

If you really know a good cocktail-you know the one you mix never quite blends.

GOLD LION Cocktails ready to ice) never vary. GOLD LION Cocktails—Seven kinds — Manhattan, Vermouth, Whiskey, Martini, Tom Gin, Dry Gin—and the American Of good wine merchants.

The Cook & Bernheimer Co.

SUFFOCATED IN SLEEP.

Frost's Gas Turned Off and Then Turned On

His Landlady Says.

The police of the West Thirty-seventh street station notified the Coroner's office last night that Thomas Frost, a waiter, had been found dead in his room in Mrs. Mary Burg's boarding house at 511 Eighth avenue under circumstances that suggested suicide. But Mrs. Burg told a reporter suicide. But Mrs. Burg told a reporter that Frost, who worked nights, had gone to bed about 8 o'clock yesterday morning, after lighting a patent heater attached to one of the gas jets. The cold caused trouble with the gas pipes, and Mrs. Burg notified the gas company. At 3 o'clock in the afternoon some of the company's men turned off the gas for the whole house. This, according to Mrs. Burg, was done without warning to her. After the trouble had been ren edied the gas was turned on without warning to her. After the trouble had been ren edied the gas was turned on again. Mrs. Burg says that she was then still in ignorance of what had taken place. She did not know until several hours later, when she began to wonder why Frost slept so long, and went to his room to wake him. She found him dead in bed. The gas was escaping from the heater. The case will be investigated to-day by one of the Coroners.

"BOMB" FOR HOUSESMITHS,

Capt. Hussey sent detectives out to make

Parks Gang or Somebody Set Off Firecracker Under New Union. While the New York Housesmiths' Union was in session last night at the Teutonia Assembly Rooms, Third avenue and Sixteenth street, somebody set off a large firereacker in the basement. For a few moments everybody present felt convinced that he was being dynamited and behaved accordingly. One of the bartenders ran down into the basement and returned with the remains of the "bomb." Members of the union said later that whether it was only a firecracker or a real bomb, it had been set off by some member of the Parks union, now almost defunct.

COLD KILLS THREE.

One Frozen in a Barn and Two Meet Death Outdoors in the Snow.

A man about 60 years old was found frozen to death vesterday in a barn in the rear of No. 782 Richmond terrace, Mariners' Harbor, Staten Island. The name William Pike was on a card found on the

body, which was poorly clad. Andrew Elengoski of 219 East Twenty second street, Bayonne, N. J., was found frozen yesterday morning in the snow at the foot of East Twenty-eighth street Bayonne. While on his way to work Sun-day night he slipped from a high trestle,

day night he shipped from a high trestle, was stunned and unable to rise.

Morristown, N. J., Jan. 4.—An unknown man was found frozen to death this morning on a lonely road leading from Morris Plains to Mount Tabor. He lay within a hundred feet of a house. It is believed that he tried to seek shelter.

end of her North River dock, foot of Houston street. She had a fire in her cargo of cotton last Wednesday, when she was in the Gulf of Mexico, one day out. The Norwegian stead ship Hispania, at New Orleans from Port Linon on Friday, stood by El Valle several hours while her crew jettisoned a large quantity of burned cotton bales and put out the fire. No one was burned.

hurt. El Valle, the Proteus and all other coast liners were ice-clad and the Hamburg-American line's big excursion yacht Prin-zessin Victoria Luise had the whiteness of her hull and rigging magnified by the frosts of several storms.

From Bed Into the Bitter Cold.

into the zero weather at midnight last night, when there was a fire next dccr. The fire did less damage than the weather. Unadilla Valley Railroad Sold.

Utica, Jan. 4 .- Attorney William Howe of 27 William street, New York, bought of 27 William Street, New York, bought the Unadilla Valley Railroad at public auction here to-day. The road was sold by John K. Brandegee of this city, the referee appointed in an action brought by Dr. Lewis Rutherford Morris of New York, a son-in-law of Senator Clark of Montana, against the railroad company

and others.

Mr. Howe made the only bid, \$10,000, and the road was sold to him for that sum. Mr. Howe represents the first mortgage bondholders of the road. After the sale he said that there would be a reorganization of the road. The policy of the company as to excepsions and changes to be made, he said, had not as yet been outlined

SHOT A LABOR TORMENTOR. Non-Union Man Beaten by Thugs Finally

Turns and Protects Himself. man car painter, who had been assaulted and beaten repeatedly by union thugs because he refused to join the union, turned cause he refused to join the union, turned yesterday afternoon on John Postma, a roomer in the same house with him at 11033 Michigan avenue and fatally wounded his assailant with a bullet. The shooting took place after Postma had beaten Lake twice. Lake's refusal to join the union had gained him much enmity, and for two months his fellow workmen have been attempting to force him by threats and intimidation to join.

DON'T LIKE THEIR OWN LAW abor Unions Advised to Urge the Repeal

of the Employers' Liability Law. account the present Employers' Liability Low was framed, has now advised them to agitate for its repeal on the ground that the common law safeguards the interests of the workers better than the special law, which has been loosely framed.

James Wilson, walking delegate of the machinists, said yexterday that it is desired to replace the present special law with one more carefully drawn.

To Work for a Green Memorial.

At the monthly meeting of the trustees of the American Scenic and Historic Preserof the American Scenic and Historic Preservation Society, on Monday evening, the following committee was appointed, with power to add to its members, to take the necessary steps for the formation of an Andrew H. Green Memorial Association. Frederick W. Devoe, Henry E. Gregory, Edward Hagaman Hall, Francis Whiting Halsey. Dr. George F. Kunz, Walter S. Logan, Samuel Parsons, Jr., Col. Henry W. Sackett, Mornay Williams, Charles F. Wingate, and Albert Ulmann. The committee plans to add to its membership.

TO MEASURE FRENCH VESSELS. Suspicion That They Have Escaped Payment of Just Port Dues

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 4.-An inadvertent remark made by a master of a French sailing vessel recently in this port has created the suspicion among customs officials that a large fleet of ships flying the tri-color is indebted to Uncle Sam for port lues. These dues, as charged at the time the vessels put in here, were paid, but it develops that under the French system of measuring ships they have apparently escaped payment of large sums, amounting

to many thousands.

Such liberal allowance is made in France in dividing gross from net tonnage of vessels that the net has been registered at a figure greatly below what the measurement would actually show. Thus a vessel of the gross measurement in reality. 2,400 tons gross measurement, in reality possessing net measurement of 2,000 or possibly 2,200 tons, is frequently registered at about 1,800. This saves the vessel many dollars in

entering an American port, where dues are collected on the basis of 6 cents a net ton measurement. Frenchmen profit also at the other end, as their subsidies are paid on a basis of their gross tonnage.

To determine so far as possible the accuracy of the suspicion regarding the French vessels, three ships of that flag now in port are to be surveyed by representatives of he customs service.

WENTWORTH WILL CONTEST. Compromise to Give Mrs. Stuart \$2,000,-

000 Didn't Please the Judge. Boston, Jan. 4 .- It was expected that he contest over the Arioch Wentworth will would come to an end to-day. On Saturday it was given out that the agreement on which the attorneys of each side had been working for a week, would be filed in the Probate Court in Salem to-day, John D. Long and Samuel J. Elder, representing the parties at issue, went to Salem this morning with that object in view, but Judge Harmon, who has heard the case, did not like the nature of the agreement, therefore its filing did not

What Judge Harmon objected to could What Judge Harmon objected to could not be learned, because no part of the document has yet been made public. Unless some agreement is reached that will pass the Judge, the contest will go on.

The report has been freely circulated that Mrs. Stuart, the testator's only daughter and nearest relative, was to receive \$2,000,000 outright by the terms of the compromise. By the will, she got \$12,000 a year. Most of Mr. Wentworth's fortune of \$5,000,000 was left to found a school.

COL. CAMPBELL DEAD.

Lawyer Who Was Shipwrecked in His Son's

Yacht Succumbs to Heart Disease. Col. Thomas C. Campbell, the lawver who returned on Sunday on the Ward Line steamer Orizaba in a dying condition, re sulting from a disastrous cruise in the auxiliary schooner yacht the Roamer, died yesterday morning at the Skene Sani-tarium, 759 President street, Brooklyn, to which he was taken from the steamer, under care of Dr. A. W. Ford of 244 Clinton street. His wife and son, Capt. George D. Campbell, owner of the Roamer, accompanied Col. Campbell from the steamer to the sanitarium and remained at his bedsid

until his death,
Mrs. Campbell, who had been greatly prostrated through constant attenda her husband during his shipwreck privations and subsequent illness, went to the home of a friend at 753 Union street. The funeral services will be held at Stephen Merritts undertaking rooms at noon on Thursday under the auspices of Republic Lodge, 690, F. and A. M.

Obituary Notes. Mrs. Elizabeth Wormley Latimer, novelist Morris Piains to Mount Tabor. He lay within a hundred feet of a house. It is believed that he tried to seek shelter but fell exhausted in the snow.

IN A NORTH RIVER ICE JAM.

Morgan Liner El Valle Couldn't Dock
—Frosted Ships Aplenty.

The Morgan line freight steamship El Valle, in yesterday afternoon from New Orleans lay in an ice iam last night of the writer of historical works and a well known ther paternal grandfather was a Captain in George III.'s bodyguard. Much of her time was spent at the French court during the reign of King Louis Philippe, and she was in Paris when Napoleon's body was brought from St. Helena. She witnessed the coro-nation of Queen Victoria.

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The Rev. Elisha W. Cook, the last but two of the survivors of the famous class of 1837 at Yale College, died on Sunday night, at his home, 170 Putnam avenue, Brooklyn, after a protracted filness, in his eighty-eighth year. Among his fellow graduates from Yale were William M. Evarts, Samuel J. Tillen, Edward Pierrepont and Chief Justice Morrison R. Waite. The two survivors of the class are Thomas Mils Day of Hartford, Conn., and Harvey Hyde of Cincinnati. The Rev. Mr. Cook's first pasterate was the Congregational Church at Haddam, Conn. In 1888 he gave up regular pastoral work to enter the service of the American Missionary Society. For the past twelve years he had been engaged in literary work. His works include "A Theory of the Moral System," "The Endless Future." "The Origin of Sin," and "Law and Penalty Endless in an Endless Universe." He leaves a widow, son and five daughters.

Charles F. Steele, one of the oldest membrate of the New York Produce Exphange. Chatham Square emptied a lot of its lodgers

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Charles F. Steele, one of the oldest members of the New York Produce Exchange, died on Saturday at his home, 255 Steuben street, Brooklyn, in his seventy-first year. He was formerly a member of the woolen house of Edward T. Steele & Co., and at the time of his death was connected with the firm of A M. & W. A. White. For twenty-five years he superintended the printing of United States postage stamps by the firm of Totten & Carpenter, and the National Bank Note Company. He was one of the founders of the Franklin Bank Note Company He was one of Shakespeare and his book entitled "Is There Any Resemblance Between Shakespeare and Bacon?" was published by him during the Donnelly controversy. A widow and two children survive him.

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children survive him.

Rufus Blanchard, cartographer and historian, and for many years one of the most widely known citizens of Chicago, died on Sunday at his bome at Wheaton, Ill. He had not been feeling well for several weeks, but his death came suddenly. He was \$2 years old. He had an international reputation as a maker of maps. He was known to have been the oldest map maker in the United States. He was no less known as a historian, and some of his volumes have been generally accepted as standard authorities, particularly his books dealing with the great Northwest. Among his best known historical works are: "The Political History of the United States," History of Illineis," "Romance of Abraham Lincoln," "History of the Northwest and Chicago."

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Lucien B. Squier, an oil merchant, died vesterday at his home in South Orange, N. J., in his seventy-fifth year. He was one of the pioneers of the animal and fishoil business. In 1855 he went into business for himself in Maiden line. Later he was in partnership with a Mr. Leonard, under the firm name of Leonard & Squier, at the Maiden line address. In 1875 this partnership was dissolved, Squier continuing the business. About ten years ago he moved to 159 Front street, where he remained to the day of his death. Mr. Souier was one of the two "old members" of the Oil Men's Association. He leaves a w fe and two sons.

Charles H. Dummer, 70 years old, paying teller of the Merchants' Exchange National Bank for over thirty-five years and connected with that institution since 1855, died of apoplexy in the Montelair station of the New York and Greenwood Lake Railway shortly after 8 o'clock vesterday morning. He was about to go out on the platform to take a train when he fell to the floor dead. Mr. Dummer was born in Jersey City in 1833, and was the son of ex-Mayor Dummer of that city.

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George W. Furman, who died on Sunday, at his home, 49 Nevins street, Brooklyn, in his eighty-third year, was manager of the Union Ferry Company for over fifty years, retiring only two years ago. He leaves a widow

RICHARDO'S DOUBLE ACCIDENT. Leg Cut Off on the Elevated and a Fall Through Ties to Street.

Francisco Richardo, 40 years old, of 104 Union street, accidentally fell last evening from the station platform of the elevated railroad at Grand and DeKalb avenues, B. ooklyn, in front of a train. His right leg was cut off at the thigh, and he fell through the ties to the street, sustaining other severe injuries. He was removed unconscious to the Cumberland street hospital.



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ROOSEVELT BOOM IN NEBRASKA. Club Demands State Convention Name

Delegates Pledged to Him. LINCOLN, Neb., Jan. 4 .- The movement to insist upon a delegation from Nebraska instructed for Roosevelt was initiated here to-night, when the first Roosevelt League Club was organized at a meeting attended by 400 Republicans.

Gov. Mickey presided, and resolutions were passed demanding of the State convention that none but enthusiastic Roosevelt men be named as delegates and that they time for Roosevelt and for no one else.

For some weeks a quiet effort has been made to secure an indorsement for John L. Webster for Vice-President, it being urged that Roosevelt men be selected as delegates, but that no instructions be given to them.

This was taken by the Roosevelt men to be an insidious method of getting a delegation that could be plumped for Hanna if he became a candidate and a movement intended to be state-wide has been inaugurated by the Roosevelt men to prevent any

such contingency The general manager of the Burlington road sent a representative to assure the meeting that the road would support Roose-

FOR SUPT. SKINNER'S PLACE. Cuthbert W. Pound Is Favored by Senator Platt and Gov. Odell.

Cuthbert W. Pound, who is connected with the Cornell University law school, is favored for election as State Superintendent of Public Instruction by Senator Platt and Gov. Odell. Mr. Pound is considering the advisability of accepting an election to this office at the hands of the Legislature on Feb. 10 for a term of three years. Mr. Pound's salary at the Cornell law school is \$3,500, and in addition to this he is president of the State Civil Service Commission, which pays him \$3,000 a year and \$600 annually in lieu of expenses, which the Commissioners draw at the rate of \$50 a month. So that from a financial standpoint Mr. Pound is now in receipt of an annual compensation of \$7,100. The office of State Superintendent of Public Instruction pays \$5,000 a year and no lump sum is given in lieu of expenses, but the Superingiven in lieu of expenses, but the Superin-tendent is reimbursed only for expenditures actually made while travelling on official business. Then again, Mr. Pound's posi-tion at Cornell is practically for life. So that it remains to be seen whether he will accept the State office.

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Mr. Pound first entered politics in 1887, when he was elected City Attorney of Lockport, which office he held for three years.

Two years later he was elected to the State Two years later he was elected to the State Senate, representing the counties of Niagara, Orleans, Livingston, Wyoming and Genesee. He went to Cornell just after he concluded his one term in the Senate. Mr. Pound is not yet 40 years old, having been born in Lockport on June 20, 1864.

Mr. Skinner has served three terms as State Superintendent of Public Instruction. He has believed all along that his efforts in behalf of the common schools of the in behalf of the common schools of the State warranted his continuance in office.

DADY CLUB FOR ROOSEVELT. Praises the President for Getting After Rascals in Office.

The First Assembly District Republican Club of Brooklyn put itself on record last night as favoring Roosevelt as the Reput lican candidate for President in the next campaign. Resolutions to that effect were offered by D. H. Ralston, the executive member from the district, and were unanimously adopted. After praising Roosevelt's administration the resolutions

Roosevelt's administration the resolutions say

We heartily commend him for his fearless punishment of all, irrespective of party, who have attempted to disgrace our Government by misuse of official position and for his consistent course in following the policy of our late lamented President, William McKinley, the keynote of which was the protection of home industries and American labor:

And be it further resolved that we unanimously indorse Theodore Roosevelt as the Republican candidate for President of the United States in the campaign of 19M.

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It is understood that Michael J. Dady, who sailed for Cuta on Saturday, suggested the offering of the resolutions.

29TH WON'T HAVE WARE. District Committee Condemns Life Election as Executive Committee eag.

MANUFACTURING

The Republican district committee of the Twenty-ninth Assembly district is now officered as fellows Senator Nathaniel A. Elsterg, chairman; Edward Lauterbach, vice-chairman Alexander T. Mason, treasurer, and William J. Chamberlain, secre-

The committee, at a special meeting last night, passed resolutions condemning the recent action of some of the district delegates to the county committee by which Gustav F. Schwarzler was first elected executive member, and then, in deference to an uprising in the district, retired and substituted in his place his

chief lieutenant, Alderman Ware.
The resolutions last night refer to the result of the primary election held Sept. 15, 1903, when Alexar der T. Mason and his friends were elected to direct the affairs of

the Twenty-ninth Assembly district, and Say:

This committee has learned that, after the unanimous election of such ticket [the Masor ticket at the primary] by the voters of the district, certain members of the delegation to the Republican county committee—placed upon such ticket because they had claimed and were supposed to be in loyal and honorable association with the district organization—have attempted, by methods which this committee strongly disapproves and condemns, to secretly combine and plan to deteat the will of the eprolled voters as expressed at the polls and to disturb the harmony of an organization which has made this the banner Republican district of New York county, and one that stands as the exponent of honest men and methods in politics.

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The district committee vested its executive committee with full power and authority to act for it "in order to secure for this Assembly district adequate and honest representation and expression of its views in the party organization of the county." county.

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The action of the district committee last night is taken to show that the control of the Republican organization in the district remains where it has been for the last few years, under the leadership of Edward Lauterbach and Senator Eisberg and Alexander T. Mason, and that the district committee will fight the Schwarzlerites and the Wareites at the approaching meeting of the county committee on Jan 17.

Want the Democratic Convention Here. The Shippers and Travellers' Exchange as appointed a committee to urge Mayor McClellan to name a general committee to endeavor to bring the Democratic National convention to this city.

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